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In re application of: Hirohisa YAMADA et al. Serial No.: 10/718,797 Filing Date: November 24, 2003 For: METHOD OF CALCULATING EFFECTIVE POWER RELATING TO CAPACITOR, METHOD OF MEASURING EFFECTIVE POWER CONSUMED BY CAPACITOR, CAPACITOR SELECTION METHOD, CALCULATION APPARATUS FOR CALCULATING EFFECTIVE POWER RELATING TO CAPACITOR, AND RECORDING MEDIUM STORING THE CALCULATION PROGRAM THEREFOR	Art Unit: 2857  Examiner: unknown
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith is a copy of a European search report issued in a corresponding European patent application and copies of three (3) prior art references cited therein. For the Examiner's convenience, we have enclosed a completed Form PTO-1449 listing all of the prior art references cited in the European search report.

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Applicants respectfully request that the disclosed examination report be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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